

What is claimed is:

- 1 1. A method for presenting dental data comprising the steps of:
2 taking first measurements of tooth and gum tissue health relative to
3 various tooth and gum tissue sites before treatment;
4 taking second measurements of tooth and gum tissue health relative
5 to said tooth and gum tissue sites after treatment of said sites with a dental
6 therapeutic agent;
7 determining the differences between the first and second
8 measurements at each of said sites;
9 graphically displaying said differences on a chart containing rows of
10 teeth, gum tissue, and boxes, said boxes positioned between said teeth and said
11 differences being displayed by predetermined markings in said boxes.
- 1 2. The method as described in claim 1 wherein said graphical
2 display includes a row of the buccal aspect of the upper teeth, a row of the buccal
3 aspect of the lower teeth, a row of the lingual aspect of the lower teeth.
- 1 3. The method as described in claim 2 wherein at least one row
2 of boxes is positioned between said rows of the buccal aspect of the upper and
3 lower teeth and at least a second row of boxes is positioned between said rows of
4 the lingual aspect of the upper and lower teeth.
- 1 4. The method as described in claim 2 wherein two rows of
2 boxes are positioned between said rows of the buccal aspect of the upper and lower
3 teeth and at least two rows of boxes are positioned between said rows of the lingual
4 aspect of the upper and lower teeth.
- 1 5. The method as described in claim 1 wherein said dental
2 therapeutic agent is selected from the group comprising a mouthwash, a toothpaste,
3 and dental floss, local delivery agent, or oral care treatment.
- 1 6. The method as described in claim 1 wherein said step of
2 taking said first measurements comprises recording clinical observations.

1 7. The method as described in claim 1 wherein said dental data
2 that is presented comprises treatment comparison statistics including the relative
3 risk of gum tissue health at said sites.

1 8. The method as described in claim 7 wherein said gum tissue
2 health includes gingivitis.

1 9. The method as described in claim 1 wherein said
2 predetermined markings are selected from the group comprising colors, shades of
3 colors, numbers, letters and graphic indicia.

1 10. The method as described in claim 1 wherein said dental data
2 which is presented comprises the improvement or lack of improvement of gum
3 tissue health at each of said sites.

1 11. A method for presenting dental data comprising the steps of:
2 taking first measurements of plaque indications at tooth sites on
3 each of the teeth before treatment;

4 taking second measurements of plaque indications at tooth sites after
5 treatments of said sites with a dental therapeutic agent;

6 determining the differences between the first and second
7 measurements at each of said sites;

8 graphically displaying said differences on a chart containing rows of
9 teeth, gum tissue, and boxes, said boxes positioned between said teeth and said
10 differences being displayed by predetermined markings in said boxes.

1 12. The method as described in claim 11 wherein said graphical
2 display includes a row of the buccal aspect of the upper teeth, a row of the buccal
3 aspect of the lower teeth, a row of the lingual aspect of the lower teeth.

1 13. The method as described in claim 11 wherein at least one
2 row of boxes is positioned between said rows of the buccal aspect of the upper and
3 lower teeth and at least a second row of boxes is positioned between said rows of
4 the lingual aspect of the upper and lower teeth.

1 14. The method as described in claim 11 wherein two rows of
2 boxes are positioned between said rows of the buccal aspect of the upper and lower
3 teeth and at least two rows of boxes are positioned between said rows of the lingual
4 aspect of the upper and lower teeth.

1 15. The method as described in claim 11 wherein said dental
2 therapeutic agent is selected from the group comprising a mouthwash, a toothpaste
3 and dental floss.

1 16. The method as described in claim 11 wherein said step of
2 taking said first measurements comprises recording clinical observations.

1 17. The method as described in claim 1 wherein said dental data
2 which is presented comprises treatment comparison statistics including the relative
3 risk of plaque reduction at said sites.

1 18. The method as described in claim 11 wherein said
2 predetermined markings are selected from the group comprising colors, shades of
3 colors, numbers, letters and graphic indicia.

1 19. The method as described in claim 11 wherein said dental
2 data which is presented comprises the improvement or lack of improvement of
3 plaque reduction at each of said sites.

1 20. A method for presenting dental data comprising the steps of:
2 taking first measurements of gum tissue health relative to various
3 gum tissue sites before treatment;
4 taking second measurements of gum tissue health relative to said
5 gum tissue sites after treatments of said sites with a dental therapeutic agent;
6 determining the differences between the first and second
7 measurements at each of said sites;
8 graphically displaying said differences on a chart containing rows of
9 teeth and gum tissue, said differences being displayed in indicia positioned on the
10 gum tissue adjacent each of the teeth.

- 1 21. The method as described in claim 20 wherein said indicia
2 comprise arc-shaped indicia representing the marginal area of gum tissue.
- 1 22. The method as described in claim 20 wherein said indicia
2 comprise diamond-shaped indicia representing the papillary area of gum tissue..
- 1 23. The method as described in claim 20 wherein said dental
2 therapeutic agent is selected from the group comprising a mouthwash, a toothpaste
3 and dental floss.
- 1 24. The method as described in claim 20 wherein said step of
2 taking said first measurements comprises recording clinical observations.
- 1 25. The method as described in claim 20 wherein said dental
2 data that is presented comprises treatment comparison statistics including the
3 relative risk of gum tissue health at said sites.
- 1 26. The method as described in claim 25 wherein said gum
2 tissue health includes gingivitis.
- 1 27. The method as described in claim 20 wherein said indicia
2 include predetermined markings selected from the group comprising colors, shades
3 of colors, numbers, letters and graphic designs.
- 1 28. The method as described in claim 20 wherein said dental
2 data which is presented comprises the improvement or lack of improvement of gum
3 tissue health at each of said sites.
- 1 29. A graphic display of dental data comprising:
2 a first row of the outside surfaces of the upper teeth;
3 a first set of boxes adjacent said first row;
4 a second row of the outside surfaces of the lower teeth; and
5 a second set of boxes adjacent said second row.
- 1 30. The graphic display as described in claim 29 wherein said
2 first and second sets of boxes contain boxes substantially the width of the teeth
3 adjacent thereto.

1 31. The graphic display as described in claim 29 further
2 comprising:
3 a third row of the inside surfaces of the upper teeth;
4 a third set of boxes adjacent said third set of teeth;
5 a fourth row of the inside surface of the lower teeth; and
6 a fourth set of boxes inside surface of the lower teeth.